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Brookhaven's transportation plan to improve city traffic flow

Brookhaven, GA, Feb. 20, 2014 – Brookhaven is working to improve traffic flow by commissioning a transportation study and plan.

This week, the city officially selected Gresham, Smith & Partners, and an Atlanta-based consulting firm to lead the project.

The study will evaluate the city's current transportation infrastructure such as signal timings and locations, intersection engineering and roadway conditions. It will also address heavy traffic on major streets. The final product will include an action plan to streamline traffic flow in Brookhaven.

"The city's location between two of the state's most traveled thoroughfares, I-285 and I-85, encourages not only economic and residential interest, but high traffic volume," City Manager Marie L. Garrett said. "The Transportation Plan will align with other long-term city planning projects helping Brookhaven to realize its full potential."

Gresham, Smith & Partners will work with a steering committee of Brookhaven residents, business owners and landlords. In addition, the public will have an opportunity to provide feedback at hearings in the spring.

The plan will be presented to the Brookhaven City Council for approval in the late spring or early summer.

The city selected Gresham, Smith & Partners after interviewing two of the three firms that submitted bids. GS&P has extensive experience assessing and planning traffic efficiencies. The firm has completed projects for the City of Snellville and Cobb County, as well as multiple cities in Tennessee.

The final transportation plan will supplement the Brookhaven Comprehensive Plan, which will be a 9-12 month study that looks at future growth and redevelopment opportunities for the entire city. The city is currently reviewing bids for a consultant to lead the planning efforts.

This is Brookhaven's latest effort to improve the city's infrastructure. Last year, the city launched a Buford Highway Improvement Plan and multifamily exterior building inspection program.

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